Recognition week provides the opportunity to honor and celebrate the works of our Federal employees, it also serves as a time to call upon a new generation of Americans to explore the opportunities of such a "proud and lively career." Through job fairs, agency sponsored events, and special exhibits, Public Service Recognition Week allows individuals from all walks of life to gain a deeper appreciation of the challenging, exciting, and rewarding work available in the federal government.

I encourage my colleagues to bring to light the works and services of the federal employees in their states and join in this annual celebration.

SENATE RESOLUTION 413—COM-MENDING THE VIRGINIA WES-LEYAN COLLEGE MARLINS MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2006 NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIA-TION DIVISION III NATIONAL BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Mr. ALLEN (for himself and Mr. WARNER) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

## S. RES. 413

Whereas the students, alumni, faculty, and supporters of Virginia Wesleyan College are to be congratulated for their commitment to and pride in the Virginia Wesleyan Marlins National Champion men's basketball team;

Whereas the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) championship game against the Wittenberg University Tigers concluded a 28 game winning streak for the Virginia Wesleyan Marlins, the longest in the nation, resulting in an impressive record of 30-3;

Whereas the Virginia Wesleyan Marlins won the 2005 NCAA Division III National Basketball Championship with an outstanding second half when junior forward Brandon Adair made two free throws to tie the game at 56 with 49 seconds to play, allowing sophomore guard Ton Ton Balenga to score the final points with less than three seconds to play, giving Virginia Wesleyan the 59-56 victory; Whereas the Virginia Wesleyan Marlins

Whereas the Virginia Wesleyan Marlins added the Division III title to consecutive Old Dominion Athletic Conference titles;

Whereas every player on the Virginia Wesleyan basketball team—Ken Cizek, D'Juan Tucker, Thomas Sumpter, Tory Green, Terrell Dixon, Marques Fitch, Ari' Paschal, Ton Ton Balenga, Brandon Adair, Rodney Young, Tyler Fantin, Devver Miller, Norman Hassell, Matt Towell, Zac Green, Travis Klink, and Marcus Riley—contributed to the team's success in this impressive championship season:

Whereas the Marlins outstanding, creative and motivational basketball Head Coach David Macedo was named the 2006 D3hoops.com Coach of the Year, and has had a successful six year tenure as Virginia Wesleyan's head coach, with a record of 124-45:

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Whereas Assistant Coaches David Doino and Brad Dunleavy deserve high commendation for their strong leadership of, and superb coaching support to, the Virginia Wesleyan College Marlins men's basketball team: Now therefore he it.

team: Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the Virginia Wesleyan College Marlins men's basketball team for winning the 2006 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III, National Championship:

(2) recognizes the achievements of Head coach David Macedo, Assistant Coaches David Doino and Brad Dunleavy, and all the team's players; and

(3) directs the Secretary of the Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to David Macedo, Head Coach of the National Champion Virginia Wesleyan College Marlins and a copy to the Virginia Wesleyan President William T. Greer, Jr.

SENATE RESOLUTION 414—CELE-BRATING THE MUSICAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE OF COUNTRY MUSIC AND RECOGNIZING THE "COUNTRY: A CELEBRATION OF AMERICA'S MUSIC" FESTIVAL AT THE JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

## S. Res. 414

Whereas country music is an essential element of the musical and cultural heritage of the United States, and helps promote an understanding and appreciation of the cultural achievements of the Nation;

Whereas country music is a medium with the power to entertain, connect, and communicate, and embodies the spirit and the lives of Americans with diverse backgrounds;

Whereas the diversity of country music provides a valuable form of artistic expression and embraces musical traditions including folk, bluegrass, gospel, honky-tonk, and rock and roll;

Whereas the popularity and notoriety of country music have had a unique effect on the commercial development of Nashville, Tennessee, commonly known as "Music City, ILSA".

Whereas the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, located in Nashville, is dedicated to—

(1) identifying and preserving the evolving history and traditions of country music; and (2) educating audiences throughout the world about that rich musical tradition;

Whereas the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, and other contributors to the "Country: A Celebration of America's Music" festival, should be commended for celebrating country music and engaging in a serious curatorial investigation into a form of artistic expression that is unique to the United States:

Whereas the "Country: A Celebration of America's Music" festival will—

- (1) highlight accomplished singers, musicians, and songwriters of the country music genre:
- (2) celebrate the traditional roots and geographical reach of country music;
- (3) explore the regional and stylistic variations of country music; and
- (4) honor the creators, audiences, and values of country music; and

Whereas additional efforts to recognize the role of folk-based and indigenous arts of the United States should be encouraged: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

- (1) celebrates the musical and cultural heritage of country music;
- (2) recognizes the "Country: A Celebration of America's Music" festival at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; and

(3) commends the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum for promoting the artistry and legacy of country music.

## AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 3184. Mr. LOTT proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2349, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process.

SA 3185. Mr. LOTT proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2349, supra.

SA 3186. Mr. LOTT (for Ms. COLLINS) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2349, supra.

SA 3187. Mr. LOTT (for Ms. COLLINS) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2349, supra.

SA 3188. Mr. LOTT (for Ms. COLLINS) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2349, supra.

SA 3189. Mr. ISAKSON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2454, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for comprehensive reform and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3190. Mr. SESSIONS (for Mr. AKAKA) proposed an amendment to the resolution S. Res. 410, designating April 2006 as "Financial Literacy Month".

## TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

**SA 3184.** Mr. LOTT proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2349, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process; as follows:

On page 6, lines 13 and 14, strike "Enrolling Clerks of the Senate and" and insert "Clerk of the"

On page 6, line 16, strike "and establish".

**SA 3185.** Mr. LOTT proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2349, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process; as follows:

On page 39, line 17, after "employed." insert "This subparagraph shall not apply to contacts with staff of the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House of Representatives regarding compliance with lobbying disclosure requirements under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995."

**SA 3186.** Mr. LOTT (for Ms. COLLINS) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2349, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process; as follows:

On page 44, line 18, strike "503" and insert "263".

**SA 3187.** Mr. LOTT (for Ms. COLLINS) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2349, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process; as follows:

On page 40, after line 2, insert the following:

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsection (b) shall take effect 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

**SA 3188.** Mr. LOTT (for Ms. COLLINS) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2349, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process; as follows:

On page 27, lines 21 through 23, strike ", in addition to any" and all that follows through "House of Representatives." and insert ". The Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall